

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
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# Faith @ Home

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**First Reading:** Malachi 3:1-4  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 24: 7, 8, 9, 1  
**Second Reading:** Hebrews 2: 14-18  
**Gospel:** Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

[Full Readings can be found here!](#)

### 1. HEAR

Use your bible to look up today's Gospel reading. If you don't have a Bible, you can find the Gospel reading [HERE](#)

As an alternative to reading the Gospel, you can watch a short video with the proclamation for adults by clicking [HERE](#). (YouTube, St. Barbara Church, Barbarammalpuram, 2:56 min )

The children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking [HERE](#). (YouTube, Daniel Englund Ministries, 2:31 min.)

### 2. PRAY

Gather the family around the prayer space...

When Simeon saw Mary and Joseph enter the Temple, he knew his long wait, anticipating the coming of the Messiah, had come to an end. Close your eyes and imagine that you are Simeon or are with Simeon. What are you feeling as you see Mary and Joseph approaching you with Jesus? Spend some time in silence as you savor this experience.

Tell Jesus what is stirring in your heart. Take time to listen for his response. Close your prayer by thanking Jesus for this time together.

### 3. TALK

Simeon had been waiting his entire life for the time when God would redeem Israel. When Jesus was presented at the Temple, Simeon recognized that Jesus is God's salvation, and his waiting had come to an end.

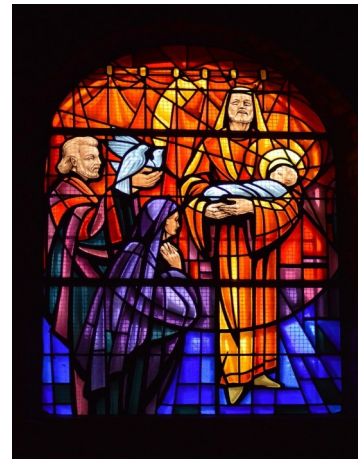
- ◆ Share with one another about something you have been hoping God will provide. What is it like waiting for him to provide it?

In today's Gospel, we hear that Simeon blesses Mary and Joseph. To conclude your time together, bless each other using the following prayer so that each person blesses someone else, and everyone receives a blessing.

God our Father, let your peace settle within the heart of \_\_\_\_\_.

Give him/her patience and wisdom. Give him/her strength during the times of greatest difficulty and help him/her recognize the little joys that are part of each day. May he/she grow in wisdom, understanding and grace. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Consider sharing this blessing with one another throughout this week.



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